

WELCOME! We're glad you're here and have decided to join us today!

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TEACHER: Pastor Garry Nyenhuis

As we come closer and closer to the day of Easter, we continue to look for glimpses of Jesus in our favorite Old Testament passages. Today, we look at Jonah; this is a prophet of God who had a clear calling from the Lord and chose to run away from it. He quickly found, however, that God can be really persuasive! After running away, Jonah was thrown into the sea and then spent three days in the belly of a fish, finding God's grace in the depths of the ocean. He then went and gave the message to the people he hated the most, expecting God to smite them; but instead God showed more grace.

So how do we see Jesus in the story of Jonah? GRACE. Jonah didn't get what he deserved; the Ninevites didn't get what they deserved and ultimately we don't get what we deserved! Because of the sacrifice of Jesus and because of the GRACE of God, we are given the opportunity to accept God's will for our lives.

Be challenged to talk over these questions as you digest God's Word today:

1. Have you ever read the book of Jonah? If not, try it! Have you ever read it purposefully looking for glimpses and so-called coincidences between this story and Jesus' story? Try it as an individual. Try it as a family. Try it as a small group. Compare your findings and learn from others!

2. On a personal note: have you ever ran away from God? How far did He go to continue to pursue you? Share that story with someone AND ask them to share their story with you!

3. Maybe you haven't felt a clear calling from God. Maybe you have never paid attention to that tap on the shoulder or that random voice that asks you to give up something in your life or start something in your life. Take the opportunity RIGHT NOW to be still and listen. Take the opportunity to tie together verses that pop in to your head and songs that come on the radio and messages delivered by your pastor; look for themes that God is placing in your life! Write them down. Review them later. Add to them as you continue to have God speak to you. Be aware that sometimes He is not a loud, booming voice; sometimes He is that small, quiet whisper.

God, give me the eyes to see and the ears to hear. God allow me to notice You. Through Scripture, through music, through words spoken by others, through voices blessed by You-allow me to pay attention to the fact that You are calling me. I do not want to ignore You any longer. I CANNOT ignore You any longer. I want to be one with You!

NOTES:

OUR FAMILY

PRAY: Please pray for April Sunday who has been struggling with heart issues again recently. She was admitted to the cardiology unit at a Sioux Falls hospital and is expected to be scheduled for surgery at Mayo Clinic. (OC)

Thurs, Mar 29 - Little Treasures will be offered for 3-5 yr olds at the Maundy Thursday Service at the OC Campus. Rather than having the students leave the church service, you will be able to drop your Little Treasures off in the room immediately following check in, just like you would in nursery. You may pick up your students from Little Treasures after the service.

Interested in growing in community with others who attend Living Water? Consider joining a 7-4-3 group. Each fall and spring the Orange City campus starts a new group of "7" people gathering for a meal "4" times over "3" months. Those who have participated in the past have enjoyed the intentional community that was formed with a set time frame (and who doesn't love food?!) **Please email Brittany Foreman at dan_brittanyforeman@yahoo.com by April 2nd if you are interested in participating this spring.**

TODAY	THIS WEEK
<p>9:30am COFFEE SHOPPE</p> <p>10:00am WORSHIP LITTLE TREASURES (3 & 4 yr olds) Watch for slides on screen to dismiss</p> <p>11:00am</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> JAM (TK-5th gr) Watch for slides on screen to dismiss for JAM - Parents pick up children at Motor Inn bldg at noon WAVE (6th-8th gr) Meets in large upstairs classroom STAY AND PRAY SW corner of Worship Center 	<p>Mon, Mar 26 6:30pm OC LifeJacket meeting (OC) 7:00pm SH LifeJacket meeting (SH)</p> <p>Tues, Mar 27 7:00pm Women's Bible Study (SH) 8:30pm Young Adult Bible Study (OC)</p> <p>Wed, Mar 28 6:45pm OC GEMS - Immanuel CRC Cadet O Rama - Rock Valley 7:00pm Overflow (OC) 7:00pm Men's Bible Study (SH) Meet at SH Pizza Ranch</p> <p>Thurs, Mar 29 7:00pm Combined LW Worship (OC) Communion - LT - Nursery</p> <p>Fri, Mar 30 7:00pm Combined LW Worship (SH) Communion - Nursery</p> <p>Sat, Mar 31 10:00am Chem Dependency Support (OC)</p>

THE CALENDAR BEYOND THIS WEEK

Tues, April 3 - Josh Larsen, a film critic and editor of *Think Christian*, a digital magazine on faith and culture, will speak at Northwestern College. This is a great opportunity for parents and anyone working with youth to discuss and reflect together how to engage with culture from a Christian perspective. **Reserve a seat by RSVP'ing to Pastor Garry (gdnyenhuis@gmail.com) by tomorrow, March 26.**

Thurs, April 5 - Men's Group will be going to the Sioux City Gospel Mission. The group will be leaving from the parking lot of Sheldon LW at 6:00pm.

GET INVOLVED

INFANTS

NURSERY: Nursery is available throughout the service for newborns thru 2 years

The nursery is located near the Welcome Center in the front lobby area.

CHILDREN

Children's Church Bags are available at the Welcome Center in the lobby area.

They are filled with quiet activities for our younger attendees to use during worship services. Following worship, please return the bags and contents to the Welcome Center.

LITTLE TREASURES: Sunday school for 3 -5 year olds; meets during the worship service. Watch for announcement slide for dismissal.

JAM: TK-5th grade. Jesus And Me meets following the Sunday morning service meets in Motor Inn bldg next door

Students and teachers watch for announcement slide for dismissal;

parents pick up children in their classrooms at Motor Inn at 12:00noon

YOUTH

WAVE: 6th-8th grade. Meets following the Sunday morning service in upstairs classroom (OC)

OVERFLOW: 9th-12th grade. Meets from 7:00-8:30pm on Wednesday (OC)

GEMS: Girls 3rd-8th grade. Meets from 6:45-8:30pm @ Immanuel CRC (OC) Wednesday evenings 2x a month

CADETS: Boys 4th-8th grade. Meets from 6:45-8:45pm @ Calvary CRC (OC) Wednesday evenings 2x a month

ADULTS/FAMILIES

STAY AND PRAY: Group of people gathering after the worship service in the SW corner of the Worship Center. Everyone's invited. For more info, contact Kim Groeneweg at skgroen@yahoo.com

COMMUNITY GROUPS: Small groups of people who enjoy staying connected to each other by discussing life, studying scripture, playing, eating, serving, and investing in one another. Contact Pastor Garry at pastor.garry@livingwateroc.com

EASTER SEASON - LW WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
(COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES LISTED IN THE BLUE ANNOUNCEMENT SHEET)

MAUNDY THURSDAY, March 29 - 7:00pm - Both campuses worshipping together at the OC Campus. The service will be one of reflection and quietness as we walk through Christ's final night before His Crucifixion.

- Nursery will be provided for newborns-2 yrs old
- Little Treasures will be offered on this evening for 3-5 yr olds
- LT Children can be dropped off prior to the worship service, immediately following check in

(This year, the service will not be combined with Trinity Reformed)

GOOD FRIDAY, March 30 - 7:00pm - Both campuses will be worshipping at the Sheldon campus together with Comunidad Christiana. Nursery will be provided for newborns-2yrs old.

EASTER SUNDAY, April 1 - 10:00am - Worship at both campuses We celebrate Christ's rising from the grave and His defeat of death! (NO Little Treasures, JAM or WAVE)